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**AGENDA
FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
LOS ANGELES COUNTY HOUSING COMMISSION
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2011
12:00 NOON
HERBERT AVENUE SENIOR HOUSING
133 HERBERT AVENUE
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1. Call to Order

2. Roll Call

Zella Knight, Chair
Henry Porter Jr., Vice Chair
Hope Boonshaft
Val Lerch
Laurence Levin
Alberta Parrish
Benita Pernell

3. Reading and Approval of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Regular Meeting of September 28, 2011

4. Report of the Executive Director

5. Public Comments

The public may speak on matters that are within the jurisdiction of the Housing Commission. Each person is limited to three minutes.



Regular Agenda

6. Approve the Submission of an Urban Greening Grant Application for the Growing Experience at the Carmelitos Housing Development (District 4)

Recommend that the Board of Commissioners adopt and instruct the Mayor to sign a Resolution approving the Urban Greening Grant application for submission to the State of California Strategic Growth Council, and authorize the Executive Director or his designee to take any and all actions required for the implementation of the Urban Greening Grant; authorize the Executive Director to accept and incorporate, if awarded, up to \$75,000 in funds provided through the Urban Greening Grant into the Housing Authority's approved Fiscal Year 2011-2012 budget; find that the submission of a grant application is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). (APPROVE).

7. Award a Contract to HD Supply to Provide Building Material and Supplies to the Housing Authority (All Districts)

Recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve and authorize the Executive Director or his designee to execute, amend, and if necessary, terminate a one-year building material and supplies contract (Contract) with HD Supply Facilities Maintenance, to provide needed building material and supplies to the Housing Authority, using up to \$440,000, plus up to \$44,000 for contingency, using Housing Authority program funds included in the Housing Authority's Fiscal Year 2011-2012 approved budget; authorize the Executive Director or his designee to extend the time of performance for up to two additional years, in one-year increments, at the same annual cost of \$440,000 plus 10% contingency, using Housing Authority program funds to be approved through the Housing Authority's annual budget process; find that the approval of the Contract is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) because the activities will not have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. (APPROVE).

8. Housing Commissioners Comments and Recommendations for Future Agenda Items

Housing Commissioners may provide comments or suggestions for future Agenda items.

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THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
LOS ANGELES COUNTY HOUSING COMMISSION

Wednesday, September 28, 2011

The meeting was convened at the CDC Headquarters located at 2 S. Coral Circle, Monterey Park California.

Digest of the meeting. The Minutes are being reported seriatim. A taped record is on file at the main office of the Housing Authority.

The meeting was called to order by Vice Chair Henry Porter at 12:07 p.m.

<u>ROLL CALL</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Zella Knight, Chair		X
Henry Porter, Vice Chair	X	
Val Lerch	X	
Laurence Levin	X	
Alberta Parrish		X
Benita Pernell	X	
Hope Boonshaft		X

PARTIAL LIST OF STAFF PRESENT:

Sean Rogan, Executive Director
Emilio Salas, Deputy Executive Director
Maria Badrakhan, Director, Housing Management
Margarita Lares, Director, Assisted Housing
Harold J. Pierce, Director, Administrative Services

GUESTS PRESENT:

No guests were present.

Reading and Approval of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting

On Motion by Commissioner Levin, seconded by Commissioner Lerch, the Minutes of the Regular Meeting (as amended) of August 24, 2011, were approved.

Agenda Item No. 4 – Report of the Executive Director

Deputy Executive Director Emilio Salas reported the following:

Emilio Salas informed the Housing Commissioners that at the last meeting it was requested that the new Commissioners be given a copy of the Agency Plan as a reference. Due to the size of the plan, Mr. Salas stated that the Agency Plan is available online for review. A hard copy can be provided if requested.

Emilio Salas stated that a resident survey has been conducted at the sites and the information is submitted to HUD.

A presentation on bed bug information will be presented during today's meeting. Additional presentations have been given at housing developments, educating the residents on the awareness and treatment for bed bugs.

Emilio Salas stated that Luke Tate, Sr. HUD Policy Advisor for Neighborhood Revitalization Initiative visited Nueva Maravilla on September 21, 2011 to see how we have been able to incorporate partnerships into one successful program to transform targeted neighborhoods.

California State Association of Counties announced that the Growing Experience is receiving a merit award for the Urban Farm Program.

On October 4, 2011, the 2nd District will introduce a Board Motion to formally accept two grants for ROSS and FSS programs.

The Annual Plan cycle will begin in October with a meeting scheduled for the Public Housing Resident Advisory Board.

A new Tenant Commissioner has been identified and we will be submitting the information to the BOS for their review and appointment.

Agenda Item No. 5 - Public Comments

Bob Davis, Marina Manor resident informed the Housing Commissioners that the heaters at Marina Manor have not been working and that walkways have been flooded.

Maria Badrakhan responded that staff will look into Mr. Davis' concerns and report back to the Housing Commissioners at our next scheduled meeting.

Chauna Tauber, Marina Manor Resident stated that she had an infestation of bed bugs as well as an issue with rodent infestation.

Maria Badrakhan responded that staff will look into their concerns and report back to the Housing Commissioners at our next scheduled meeting.

Regular Agenda

On Motion by Commissioner Levin seconded by Commissioner Levin and Lerch, and unanimously carried, the following was approved by the Housing Commission. :

**APPROVE A CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT FOR ROOF REPLACEMENT
AT THE 107TH STREET HOUSING DEVELOPMENT
(DISTRICT 2) AGENDA ITEM NO. 7**

1. Recommend that the Board of Commissioners award and authorize the Executive Director or his designee to execute, amend, and if necessary, terminate a Contract and all related documents in the amount of \$114,212 with Western States Roofing and Construction, to complete roof replacement including all accessories and associated work at the 107th Street Housing Development, using Capital Fund Program (CFP) funds allocated by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and included in the Housing Authority's approved Fiscal Year 2011-2012 budget.
2. Recommend that the Board of Commissioners authorize the Executive Director to approve Contract change orders not to exceed \$11,421 for unforeseen project costs, using the same source of funds and following approval as to form by County Counsel.
3. Recommend that the Board of Commissioners find that the approval of the Contract and the project is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), as described herein, for the reasons stated in this letter and in the record of the project.

On Motion by Commissioner Levin seconded by Commissioner Lerch and Levin, and unanimously carried, the following was approved by the Housing Commission :

**APPROVE HEALTH PLANS
(ALL DISTRICTS) AGENDA ITEM NO. 8**

1. Recommend that the Board of Commissioners find that approval of the employee health plans for the 2012 calendar year is not subject to the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) because the activities are not defined as a project under CEQA.

2. Recommend that the Board of Commissioners authorize the Executive Director or his designee to approve the proposed premium rates (Attachment A) for group medical plans provided by Anthem Blue Cross of California Health Maintenance Organization (HMO) and Preferred Provider Option (PPO) and Kaiser Health Plan (Kaiser), effective January 1, 2012.
3. Recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the combined payment with the Community Development Commission of the employer-paid medical subsidy for the 2012 calendar year to Anthem Blue Cross of California and Kaiser, at an estimated cost not to exceed \$495,000.
4. Recommend that the Board of Commissioners authorize the Housing Authority to fund all health plan costs using funds included in the approved Fiscal Year 2011-12 budget and funds to be approved through the annual budget process for Fiscal Year 2012-13, as needed.

On Motion by Commissioner Levin seconded by Commissioner Levin and Lerch, and unanimously carried, the following was approved by the Housing Commission :

ADOPT A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE VOLUNTARY TRANSFER OF HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHERS FROM THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD TO THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES (ALL DISTRICTS) AGENDA ITEM NO. 9

1. Recommend that the Board of Commissioners find that the transfer of Section 8 Housing Choice Vouchers is not subject to the provisions of the California Environment Quality Act (CEQA) because the action is not defined as a project under CEQA.
2. Recommend that the Board of Commissioners adopt and instruct the Mayor to sign a resolution indicating agreement to the proposed voluntary transfer of Section 8 Housing Choice Vouchers and corresponding budget authority from West Hollywood to HACoLA; and authorize the Executive Director to submit the resolution and all related documents to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

Agenda Item No. 10 – Housing Commissioner Comments and Recommendations for Future Agenda Items

Commissioner Pernell stated that she had no comments at this time.

Commissioner Levin thanked and congratulated staff for their presentation.

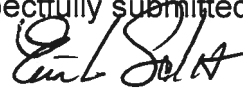
Commissioner Lerch stated that he had no comments at this time.

Commissioner Porter inquired if Marina Manor resident, Bob Davis received a response in regard to his concerns from the last meeting.

Emilio Salas responded, yes, Mr. Davis concerns have been addressed in a correspondence sent to him by Housing Management staff.

On Motion by Commissioner Levin the Regular Meeting of September 28, 2011, was adjourned at 1:47 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



for SEAN ROGAN
Executive Director
Secretary –Treasurer

Housing Authority - County of Los Angeles

FOR YOUR INFORMATION ONLY

October 26, 2011

TO: Housing Commissioners

FROM: Margarita Lares, Director, Assisted Housing Division

RE: **FSS PROGRAM UPDATE – SEPTEMBER 2011**

The Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) Program is a HUD initiative intended to assist Public Housing residents and Housing Choice Voucher Program participants achieve economic independence and self-sufficiency.

Activities

RECRUITMENT	9	Applications Received
	4	Applications Sent
ENROLLMENTS	5	New FSS Participants
TERMINATIONS	0	Participants Terminated from FSS
MEETINGS	1	SASSFA Partnership monthly meeting
WORKSHOPS Program Presentations Wells Fargo "Hands on Banking" Training Money Smart Workshop	1	Guest Training Program
	4	Disseminated Credit Repair Informational Packets
	7	Disseminated Budget Informational Packets
REFERRALS	16	Job referral from the employment network job board
	1	Educational Facilities
	3	WorkSource Center employment workshops and job fairs
	108	Hands on Banking Invitations
		4 Home Ownership Program
GRADUATIONS	3	Pending requests for graduation

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (562) 347-4837.

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FAMILY SELF-SUFFICIENCY (FSS) REPORT SUPPLEMENT

Listed below are descriptions of frequently used language in the monthly FSS Report.

1. **SASSFA**-Acronym for Southeast Area Social Services Funding Authority. They oversee all the funding for Worksource Centers, who provide job training, job placement, and skill assessment. We have a partnership with them, which in turn benefits our clients by providing services that we would not be able to provide on our own. There are about 75 Worksource Centers located in Southern California.
2. **The Employment Network Job Board** is located in the Family Self-Sufficiency department of the Assisted Housing Division located at 12131 Telegraph Road, Santa Fe Springs, CA and is a compilation of job leads, job requests and training information supplied by our various partnered agencies and is updated on a bi-weekly basis. The network board may also include referrals to other types of services, such as job fairs, resume preparation or social services. All these resources are shared with FSS participants.
3. **Emergency Transportation Assistance** refers to bus tokens issued by FSS staff to FSS participants who are having short term transportation problems. This would include those who have started a new job and need transportation assistance until they receive a pay check; those who need assistance in order to get to a job interview; those who are starting school and may not have been able to make arrangements to carpool prior to enrollment; those who have had a temporary transportation emergency, such as a automobile accident or auto break down. Part of this assistance may also include referrals to other agencies which may have bus tokens or passes available.

Housing Authority - County of Los Angeles

FOR YOUR INFORMATION ONLY

October 26, 2011

TO: Housing Commissioners

FROM: Emilio Salas, Deputy Executive Director



SUBJECT: STATUS OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT-RECOVERY (CDBG-R) PROGRAM, FUNDED BY THE AMERICAN RECOVERY AND REINVESTMENT ACT OF 2009 (ARRA)

The Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Division is closely monitoring CDBG-R subrecipients to ensure that they spend all of their allocated funds by June 30, 2012.

We are currently pacing at an appropriate level: as of October 12, 2011, \$6,234,580.26 (77.66%) of the total \$8,027,868.65 under contract has been expended. To ensure that subrecipients meet all of the aforementioned grant requirements, we continue to closely monitor their performance. Following are major actions taken since the last report:

- To date, 49 (75%) of the 65 projects are completed. Some of these were completed below budget, and the excess undisbursed funds were recaptured and reallocated to other existing well-performing CDBG-R activities.
- In order to fully expend the grant funds, as projects are completed and closed out, we will continue to reallocate remaining undisbursed funds to other ongoing CDBG or CDBG-R projects that can use the additional funding, and that are in full compliance with the grant requirements.
- CDBG staff is closely monitoring low-performing agencies and providing them with requisite technical assistance to ensure that they adhere to their required corrective actions which include: (a) submittal of any delinquent reimbursement requests; and (b) adherence to the project implementation and expenditure target dates stated in their action plans.

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Housing Authority - County of Los Angeles

FOR YOUR INFORMATION ONLY

October 26, 2011

TO: Housing Commissioners

FROM: Emilio Salas, Deputy Executive Director



SUBJECT: STATUS OF THE AMERICAN RECOVERY AND REINVESTMENT ACT OF 2009 HOMELESSNESS PREVENTION AND RAPID RE-HOUSING PROGRAM (HPRP)

The Homelessness Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing Program (HPRP) is a collaborative effort among the Community Development Commission-Community Development Block Grant Division (CDC-CDBG), the County's Chief Executive Office, implementing County Departments, local Non-Profit Organizations, and the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA).

Actions since the last report include the following:

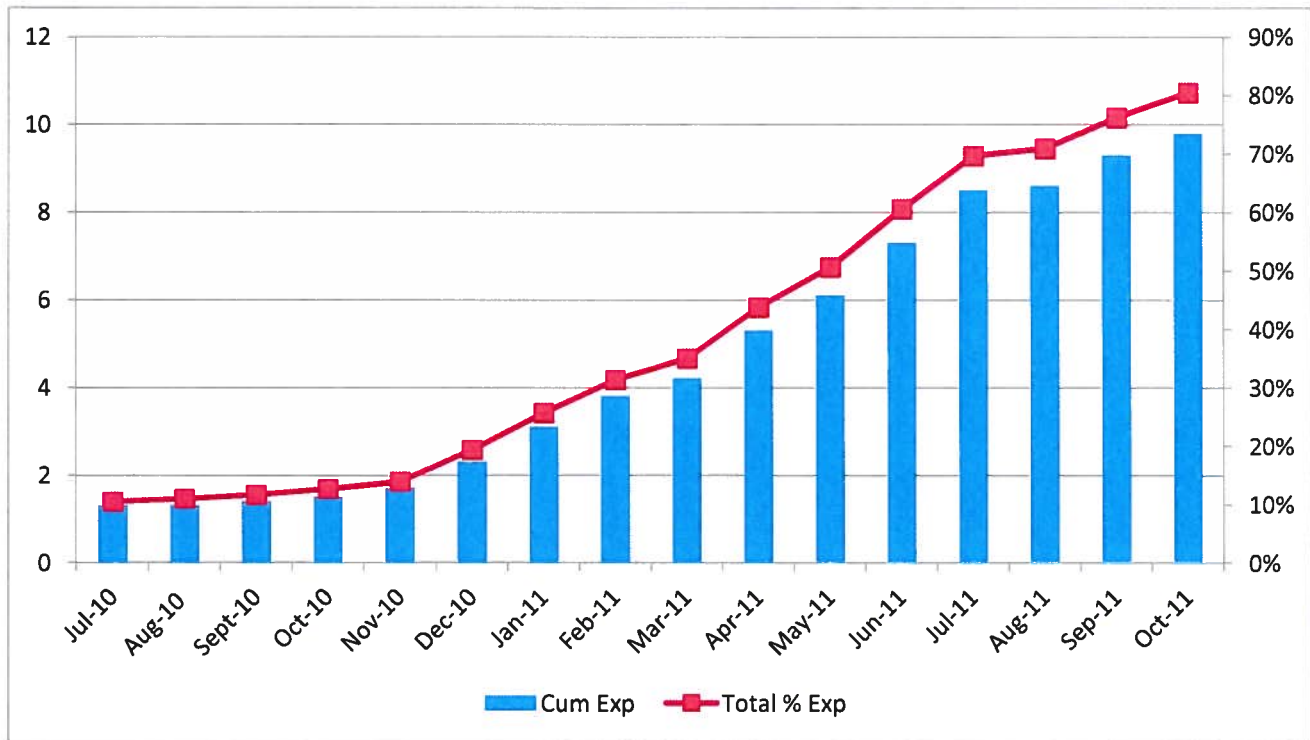
- As of October 11, 2011, \$9,814,325.76 (80.47%) of the \$12,197,108 budget has been expended (see attached chart).
- The HPRP has served 1,858 households through September 30, 2011.
- The HPRP monthly partner meeting was held on October 11, 2011.
- The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has requested grantees to submit personal success stories from individuals or families helped through HPRP; they will post selected stories on their Homelessness Resource Exchange (HRE) website. CDC-CDBG has asked all partners to provide client testimonials which can be considered for submission to HUD as potential "HPRP Success Stories."
- HPRP Grant Closeout is scheduled for August 18, 2012. We are awaiting HUD's detailed guidance on the closeout process.

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Attachment

HPRP CUMULATIVE EXPENDITURES, IN MILLIONS (AS OF October 11, 2011)



Month	Cum Exp	Total % Exp
Jul-10	\$ 1,258,444.73	10.49%
Aug-10	\$ 1,302,795.89	10.99%
Sept-10	\$ 1,424,267.03	11.68%
Oct-10	\$ 1,548,014.88	12.69%
Nov-10	\$ 1,703,129.97	13.96%
Dec-10	\$ 2,363,254.90	19.38%
Jan-11	\$ 3,137,110.79	25.72%
Feb-11	\$ 3,825,665.90	31.37%
Mar-11	\$ 4,274,043.56	35.04%
Apr-11	\$ 5,340,295.92	43.78%
May-11	\$ 6,179,581.90	50.66%
Jun-11	\$ 7,395,617.17	60.63%
Jul-11	\$ 8,503,153.25	69.71%
Aug-11	\$ 8,655,580.90	70.96%
Sep-11	\$ 9,022,319.97	73.97%
Oct-11	\$ 9,814,782.24	80.47%

Community Development Commission

FOR YOUR INFORMATION ONLY

September 30, 2011

TO: Each Supervisor

FROM: Sean Rogan, Executive Director



SUBJECT: **UPDATE ON THE PURSUIT AND IMPLEMENTATION OF FUNDING MADE AVAILABLE IN H.R. 1, THE AMERICAN RECOVERY AND REINVESTMENT ACT (ARRA) OF 2009**

On March 31, 2009, the Board of Supervisors (Board) requested that the Community Development Commission/Housing Authority of the County of Los Angeles (CDC/HACoLA) report on the efforts to apply for, or take the necessary steps to accept, each category of funding contained within ARRA that the CDC/HACoLA is eligible to receive, either by formula or by competitive grant application. In all, the CDC/HACoLA was awarded \$33,603,148 of the \$114,312,431 applied for.

Funding Awarded

PUBLIC HOUSING CAPITAL FUND (CF)

Funding Amount: \$7,401,512 (by formula)

Award of Funds: On March 31, 2009, the Board of Commissioners approved a motion to accept the grant funds, and funding became available to the HACoLA on May 14, 2009.

Use of Funds: The funds are being used for security improvements, energy efficiency work measures, preventive maintenance, and general improvements at 12 public housing developments comprised of 2,500 public housing units. As a direct result of CF formula activities, the HACoLA has reported a total of 73 full-time equivalent jobs (that were created or retained) through the 3rd Quarter of Program Year (PY) 2010-2011 to FederalReporting.gov.

Expenditure Levels: As of September 21, 2011, the HACoLA had expended \$7,401,512 of the \$7,401,512 obligated.

Provisions: The HACoLA must obligate 100% of the funds within 1 year, expend 60% of the funds in 2 years, and complete 100% of the fund expenditures in 3 years. The HACoLA has met the mandatory obligation deadline and has expended 100% of the grant

Funding Amount: \$5,924,000 (Applied for \$22,399,000 by competition.)

Award of Funds: On June 22, 2009, the HACoLA applied for \$16,475,000 in funding for improvements addressing the needs of the elderly and/or people with disabilities and public housing transformation. Additionally, on July 21, 2009, the HACoLA applied for \$5,924,000 in funding for energy efficient/green community projects.

Use of Funds: The HACoLA was only awarded funding in the 'Creation of an Energy Efficient Green Community' category in the amount of \$5,924,000. Funds were granted on September 29, 2009, and are being used at the Nueva Maravilla housing development to reduce energy costs, generate resident and HACoLA energy savings, and reduce greenhouse gas emissions attributable to energy consumption. A total of 28 full-time

equivalent jobs were created or retained through the 3rd Quarter PY 2010-2011 and have been reported to FederalReporting.gov.

Expenditure Levels: On December 1, 2009, the Board approved the acceptance of the funds. As of September 21, 2011, the HACoLA had expended \$3,656,428 of the \$5,924,000 obligated.

Provisions: The HACoLA must obligate 100% of the funds within 1 year of the date in which funds become available for contracts. The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) requires the HACoLA to use at least 60% of the funds within 2 years and 100% of the funds within 3 years. The HACoLA has met the mandatory obligation deadline.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT-RECOVERY (CDBG-R)

Funding Amount: \$8,080,528 (by formula)

Award of Funds: The CDC submitted an amendment to the CDBG PY 2008 Action Plan (as required by ARRA) on June 5, 2009, after receiving approval from the Board on June 2, 2009. The CDC received the CDBG-R Grant Agreements on August 26, 2009.

Use of Funds: The CDC worked with the agencies affected by CDBG/ARRA regulations and submitted a final list of projects for approval to HUD on August 13, 2009, and the Board on August 18, 2009. Both HUD and the Board approved the list for the CDC's CDBG-R Program. Project activities include public improvements, housing rehabilitation, economic development, public services, and administration. During the 4th Quarter of Fiscal Year 2010-2011, the following activities were performed: completed rehabilitation of 25 housing units, completed economic development activities assisting 7 businesses serving areas with 156,881 residents, and implemented 2 public service activities providing job training directly to 3 people and resources in a park serving an area with 16,738 residents. Additionally, construction was completed on 8 public improvement projects including 1 public facility serving a predominantly low- and moderate-income school with a population of 813, park and street improvements serving areas with 53,056 residents, and 4 public facilities serving 2,295 people. In all, a total of 1,243 jobs have been created or retained, which corresponds to 116.70 full-time equivalent positions to date.

The CDC has recaptured and reallocated funds for lack of expenditure or progress on projects. Funds were reprogrammed into existing CDBG-R activities that were in need of additional funding.

Expenditure Levels: As of September 26, 2011, the CDC had expended \$6,219,942.

Provisions: The CDC must use all CDBG-R funds by September 30, 2012.

HOMELESSNESS PREVENTION AND RAPID RE-HOUSING PROGRAM (HPRP)

Funding Amount: \$12,197,108 (by formula)

Award of Funds: The CDC submitted a completed application to HUD on May 18, 2009, which was subsequently approved the following June. Trainings on reporting, program monitoring, and general implementation were held for the applicable County Departments on August 19, 2009, and the CDC received the HPRP Grant Agreements on August 20, 2009.

Use of Funds: Implementation of HPRP began on October 1, 2009; and the Departments of Public Social Services, Consumer Affairs, Community and Senior Services, and the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA) have been working collaboratively to deliver assistance to those in need. In addition, Neighborhood Legal Services began offering legal assistance and representation to persons and families with unlawful detainees on November 1, 2009.

On August 31, 2010, the Board of Commissioners gave approval for 3 non-profit organizations (People Assisting the Homeless, Volunteers of America, and Union Station Homeless Services) to receive funding to provide HPRP services, and added 19 previously unserved cities that did not receive Federal or State HPRP funds within the County. We continue to provide training and guidance to County Departments and non-profit staff for consistent service delivery to those in need. We are actively monitoring the progress of these activities to ensure compliance with the requirements. Contract amendments to allow for time extensions to December 31, 2011, were processed to allow for the full expenditure of grant funds.

The HPRP workgroup meets monthly to communicate concerns, provide updates, and to problem solve in order to maintain progress with the program. All service providers, except for the Department of Public Social Services-Transition Age Youth programs, are no longer taking new clients given the current number of participants being subsidized and cases managed. We have begun to wind down the program. A Tenant Resources Pamphlet was developed by the Department of Consumer Affairs to assist persons and families still facing housing challenges as the program ends. We have also updated the Los Angeles County Housing Resource Center website to reflect the County HPRP's pending closure.

The number of clients assisted continues to increase. From program start through September 16, 2011, 1,851 households have been assisted; these numbers are based on the data entered into the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) on the number of people served. (Due to an internal error, the incorrect figure of 1,864 households was reported last month, instead of the 1,814 households that were actually assisted from program start through July 31, 2011.) Further, from program start, a total of 1,005 jobs have been created or retained, which corresponds to 174.30 full-time equivalent positions as of the 4th Quarter of PY 2010-2011.

Expenditure Levels: As of September 26, 2011, the CDC had expended \$9,454,338, or 78.99%, of the total funding. We met the 60% expenditure requirement 2 months in advance of the August 18, 2011 deadline. We expect the program to be complete by December 31, 2011.

Provisions: HUD requires that 60% of the funds be used by August 18, 2011 and 100% by August 1, 2012.

Unsuccessful Grant Applications

GREEN RETROFIT PROGRAM FOR MULTIFAMILY HOUSING

Funding Amount: Applied for \$2,260,000 by competition.

Award of Funds: The HACoLA submitted applications for the Kings Road and Lancaster Homes Housing Developments on June 15, 2009. The HACoLA did not receive this grant.

Use of Funds: Had the HACoLA been awarded, the funds would have been used for the modernization and rehabilitation of the Kings Road and Lancaster Homes developments.

JUVENILE JUSTICE AND CRIME PREVENTION ACT PROGRAM (JJCPA)/EDWARD BYRNE MEMORIAL COMPETITIVE GRANT PROGRAM

Funding Amount: Applied for \$974,283 by competition.

Award of Funds: The CDC submitted an application on April 27, 2009. The CDC did not receive this grant.

Use of Funds: Had the CDC been awarded, the funds would have been used to support existing JJCPA programs.

NEIGHBORHOOD STABILIZATION PROGRAM 2 (NSP2)

Funding Amount: Applied for \$61,000,000 by competition.

Use of Funds: Had the CDC been awarded, the funds would have been used to supplement the NSP1 program, which includes the HERO program and Rental Infill Sites activities for tenants below 50% of the area median income (AMI).

If you have any questions, please contact me at (323) 890-7400, or Terry Gonzalez, Director, CDBG Division, at (323) 890-7150.

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<p style="text-align: center;">The CDC/HACoLA American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA) Final Award Amounts</p>					
	ARRA GRANT OPPORTUNITY	FUNDING AGENCY	FORMULA AMOUNT/ \$ APPLIED FOR	AMOUNT AWARDED	GRANT AGREEMENT*
1	Capital Fund (formula)	HUD	\$7,401,512	\$7,401,512	Yes
2	Capital Fund (competitive) - Disabilities Category	HUD	\$9,235,000	Did Not Receive	No
3	Capital Fund (competitive) - PH Transformation	HUD	\$7,240,000	Did Not Receive	No
4	Capital Fund (competitive) - Green Technology	HUD	\$5,924,000	\$5,924,000	Yes
5	Community Development Block Grant - Recovery	HUD	\$8,080,528	\$8,080,528	Yes
6	Neighborhood Stabilization Program 2	HUD	\$61,000,000	Did Not Receive	No
7	Homeless Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing Program	HUD	\$12,197,108	\$12,197,108	Yes
8	Green Retrofit Program for Multifamily Housing	HUD	\$2,260,000	Did Not Receive	No
9	Edward Byrne Memorial Competitive Grant	DOJ	\$974,283	Did Not Receive	No
Total Awarded Under ARRA			\$33,603,148		

**Grant Agreement Received – Funds available for drawdown at U.S. Treasury.*



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October 26, 2011

Honorable Housing Commissioners
Housing Authority of the
County of Los Angeles
2 S Coral Circle
Monterey Park, California 91755

Dear Commissioners:

**APPROVE THE SUBMISSION OF AN URBAN GREENING
GRANT APPLICATION FOR THE GROWING EXPERIENCE AT THE
CARMELITOS HOUSING DEVELOPMENT
(DISTRICT 4)**

SUBJECT

This letter recommends the submission of an Urban Greening Grant application to the State of California Strategic Growth Council for up to \$75,000 in grant funds made available under the Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2006 (Proposition 84). The grant will be used to fund enhancements to the Growing Experience community garden at the Carmelitos housing development, located in the City of Long Beach.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR COMMISSION:

1. Recommend that the Board of Commissioners adopt and instruct the Mayor to sign a Resolution approving the Urban Greening Grant application for submission to the State of California Strategic Growth Council, and authorize the Executive Director or his designee to take any and all actions required for the implementation of the Urban Greening Grant.
2. Recommend that the Board of Commissioners authorize the Executive Director to accept and incorporate, if awarded, up to \$75,000 in funds provided through the Urban Greening Grant into the Housing Authority's approved Fiscal Year 2011-2012 budget.

3. Recommend that the Board of Commissioners find that the submission of a grant application is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of this action is to authorize the submission of an Urban Greening Grant application to be funded by Proposition 84 through the State of California Strategic Growth Council for the Growing Experience community garden at the Carmelitos housing development.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

There is no impact on the County general fund. If awarded, up to \$75,000 in Proposition 84 funds will be incorporated into the Housing Authority's approved Fiscal Year 2011-2012 budget. Funds will be released from the State of California Strategic Growth Council on a reimbursement basis.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The Growing Experience at the Carmelitos housing development consists of an award winning 7-acre urban farm and community garden. The Housing Authority has developed this parcel to include a community garden with 60 individual raised plots, a commercial greenhouse, and approximately 4.5 acres of sustainable crop production. The Growing Experience provides skills development in green careers including urban agricultural related enterprises and drought-tolerant landscaping. The Growing Experience also operates a Community Supported Agriculture program that provides sustainably grown fruits and vegetables to Carmelitos and neighboring residents at a minimal cost.

The proposed Urban Greening Grant will allow the Growing Experience to create a quarter-acre demonstration "Food Forest." This "Food Forest" will grow drought-tolerant and nutritious fruits and vegetables in a manner similar to a natural forest. Rather than utilizing water-intensive growing methods, the "Food Forest" allows fruits and vegetables to grow naturally and with minimal maintenance once planted. The "Food Forest" will complement the goals of the Growing Experience by serving as a community resource for education, fresh produce and expansion of green space. During educational tours, the produce grown at the "Food Forest" will be made available to the community.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

These activities are exempt from the provisions of CEQA pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15301, because they do not have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment.

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If awarded, the Urban Greening Grant will enhance a quarter-acre of the Growing Experience with a "Food Forest." The "Food Forest", while providing open green space, fruit and vegetables to local community members, will also provide opportunities for recreational and community social interaction. These improvements will serve to further enhance the lives of Housing Authority residents and the surrounding community.

Respectfully submitted,



 SEAN ROGAN
Executive Director

Enclosures

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES APPROVING
THE APPLICATION FOR GRANT FUNDS FOR THE URBAN GREENING GRANT
PROGRAM UNDER THE SAFE DRINKING WATER, WATER QUALITY AND SUPPLY,
FLOOD CONTROL, RIVER AND COASTAL PROTECTION BOND ACT OF 2006
(PROPOSITION 84)

WHEREAS, the Legislature and Governor of the State of California have provided funds for the Urban Greening Grant program; and

WHEREAS, the Strategic Growth Council has been delegated the responsibility of the administration of this grant program, establishing necessary procedures; and

WHEREAS, said procedures established by the Strategic Growth Council require a resolution certifying the approval of application(s) by the Applicant's governing board before submission of said application(s) to the State; and

WHEREAS, the applicant, if selected, will enter into an agreement with the State of California to carry out the Project;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the County of Los Angeles (Housing Authority) does hereby:

1. Approve the filing of an application for the Growing Experience at the Carmelitos housing development in Long Beach;
2. Certify that the Housing Authority understands the assurances and certification in the application; and
3. Certify that the Housing Authority will have sufficient funds to operate and maintain the project consistent with the land tenure requirements; or will secure the resources to do so; and
4. Certify that the Housing Authority will comply with the provision of Section 1771.8 of the State Labor Code regarding payment of prevailing wages on Projects awarded Proposition 84 Funds; and
5. If applicable, certify that the project will comply with any laws and regulations including, but not limited to, legal requirements for building codes, healthy and safety codes, disabled access laws, environmental laws and, that prior to commencement of construction, all applicable permits will have been obtained; and

6. Certify that the Housing Authority will work towards the Governor's State Planning Priorities intended to promote equity, strengthen the economy, protect the environment, and promote public health and safety as included in Government Code Section 65041.1; and

7. Appoint the Executive Director of the Housing Authority, or designee, as agent to conduct all negotiations, execute and submit all documents including, but not limited to applications, agreements, payment requests and so on, which may be necessary for the completion of the aforementioned project(s).

APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the County of Los Angeles on this ____ day of _____, 2011.

ATTEST:

SACHI A. HAMAI
Executive Officer-Clerk of the
Board of Commissioners

MAYOR MICHAEL D. ANTONOVICH
Chairman of the Board of Commissioners

By: _____
Deputy

By: _____

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

ANDREA SHERIDAN ORDIN
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October 26, 2011

Honorable Housing Commissioners
Housing Authority of the
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Dear Commissioners:

**AWARD A CONTRACT TO HD SUPPLY TO PROVIDE BUILDING MATERIAL AND
SUPPLIES TO THE HOUSING AUTHORITY
(ALL DISTRICTS)**

SUBJECT

This letter recommends approval of a contract with HD Supply Facilities Maintenance to provide needed building material and supplies to the Housing Authority.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR COMMISSION:

1. Recommend that the Board of Commissions approve and authorize the Executive Director or his designee to execute, amend, and if necessary, terminate a one-year building material and supplies contract (Contract) with HD Supply Facilities Maintenance, to provide needed building material and supplies to the Housing Authority, using up to \$440,000, plus up to \$44,000 for contingency, using Housing Authority program funds included in the Housing Authority's Fiscal Year 2011-2012 approved budget.
2. Recommend that the Board of Commissioners authorize the Executive Director or his designee to extend the time of performance for up to two additional years, in one-year increments, at the same annual cost of \$440,000 plus 10% contingency, using Housing Authority program funds to be approved through the Housing Authority's annual budget process.
3. Recommend that the Board of Commissioners find that the approval of the Contract is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) because the activities will not have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of this action is to provide needed building material and supplies for the maintenance of the Housing Authority's housing developments throughout Los Angeles County. These commodities may be needed for regular maintenance or on an emergency basis, to maintain the safety and well being of residents and employees.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

There is no impact on the County general fund.

The Contract will be funded with a total of \$440,000 in Housing Authority Operating Funds allocated by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and included in the Housing Authority's Fiscal Year 2011-2012 approved budget. A 10% contingency, in the amount of \$44,000, is being set aside for unforeseen costs.

The Contract may be extended for up to two additional years, in one-year increments, at the same annual cost. Funds for future years will be requested through the annual budget approval process in an amount not to exceed \$1,452,000 for all three years, including contingency.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The Contract will provide needed building material and supplies for the maintenance of the Housing Authority's housing developments located throughout the Los Angeles County.

The Contract is subject to the requirements of the Greater Avenues for Independence (GAIN) Program or the Greater Relief Opportunity for Work (GROW) Program implemented by the County of Los Angeles.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

The Housing Authority utilized the procurement conducted for Contract No. SERIAL #11019-RFP between the County of Maricopa and HD Supply Facilities Maintenance, which is made available to public agencies nationwide through U.S. Communities, a governmental purchasing alliance.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

Pursuant to Title 24 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Section 58.35 (b) (3), this action is Categorically Excluded from the National Environmental Policy Act because it involves maintenance activities that will not alter existing environmental conditions. The action is exempt from the provisions of CEQA pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15301 because it does not have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment.

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The proposed Contract will provide needed building material and supplies for the Housing Authority's housing developments.

Respectfully submitted,



 SEAN ROGAN
Executive Director

Enclosure

ATTACHMENT A

Contract Summary

Project Name: BUILDING MATERIAL AND SUPPLIES
Location: 69 Housing Authority housing developments within the Los Angeles County
Procurement Process: Cooperative Agreement
Contract Start Date: December 1, 2011
Contractor: HD Supply Facilities Maintenance
Purpose: The purpose of this contract is to provide building material and supplies to 69 housing developments operated or managed by the Housing Authority within the County of Los Angeles.

Term: Upon execution, the Contract shall remain in full force until November 30, 2012 unless sooner terminated or extended in writing.

Option to Renew: The Housing Authority has the option to renew the Contract for two (2) additional one year terms, unless sooner terminated or extended in writing.

Performance Review: A performance review shall be conducted no later than 90 days prior to the end of each Contract year. Based on the assessment of the performance review, written notification will be given to the Contractor whether the contract will be terminated at the end of the current year or will be continued into the next contract year.

Compensation: The Contractor shall submit an invoice to the Housing Authority on the 1st day of each month for services rendered. Upon receipt and approval, the Housing Authority shall pay the Contractor within thirty (30) days of receipt and approval of the invoice. The annual amount of compensation shall be \$440,000, which shall include all related expenses. The Contractor shall be paid in accordance with the Housing Authority's standard accounts payable system.

After the first year, the Housing Authority may extend the Contract for an additional two years, in one-year increments, contingent upon availability of funds. Additionally, the 10% annual contingency amount will be used for unforeseen, needed building material and supplies. The Housing Authority will use funds to be approved through the annual budget process.